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Title:

PIEZOELECTRIC/ELECTROSTRICTIVE ELEMENT AND

PIEZOELECTRIC/ELECTROSTRICTIVE DEVICE AND PRODUCTION

METHOD THEREOF

1. Papers enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

- 58 Page(s) of Specification
- 10 Page(s) of Claims
- 2 Page(s) of Abstract
- 26 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-39)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

- [x] A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet
- [x] A copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application
- [x] A Preliminary Amendment
- [x] A Preliminary Remarks/Provisional Election
- [x] An Information Disclosure Statement
- [x] PTO Form-1449





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3. Assignment

The prior application is assigned of record to <u>NGK Insulators, Ltd.</u> at Reel <u>012039</u> Frame(s) <u>0412-0414</u> (recorded July 30, 2001).

4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

- [] Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- [] Applicants hereby request that the attached application **not** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

5. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Filing fee (37 CFR §1.16(a))				\$ 750.00
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total Claims	26 - 20 =	6	× \$ 18.00	108.00
Independent Claims	6 - 3 =	3	× \$ 84.00	252.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$280.00				
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$ 1,110.00
[] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				
SUBTOTAL =				\$ 1,110.00
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